Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program

The American Center at U.S. Embassy Dhaka is pleased to announce the Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) program for 2016-17. The primary goal of the FLTA program is to strengthen foreign language instruction at U.S. universities, colleges, and high schools, while providing teachers of English and related fields with the opportunity to refine their skills, increase their English language proficiency, and enhance their knowledge of the United States.

FLTA Fellows from Bangladesh typically teach Bangla-language classes for American students. Fellows and their students will have a unique opportunity to learn about each other's cultures and to build mutual understanding between the United States and Bangladesh. Fellows may teach up to two classes per semester and are also required to enroll themselves in at least two courses per semester, one of which must be in American studies. The remaining coursework must relate to their teaching careers in Bangladesh. Fellows will also interact with their host community through conversation groups, extracurricular activities, and community outreach projects. The FLTA is a nine month non-degree program that is non-renewable.

Grants will be offered for candidates holding degrees in the following fields:

Anthropology
Communications
Computer Sciences/Technology
Education
Teacher Training
Educational Administration
Educational Psychology
Humanities
Languages / Literature
Social Sciences
Social Work /Sociology

To be eligible, interested candidates must:

- Be teachers of English and related fields at university level, and must have complete fluency in English;

- Have completed either a master's degree or a four-year bachelor's degree, or both, no later than August of 2014;
- Be between 23-29 years of age;
- Be resident in Bangladesh throughout the nomination and selection process.

Fellows are required to return to their home country upon completion of the program. Please note that family members are not permitted to accompany Fellows during the program.

Application Details:

FLTA Program Application Instructions
FLTA Program Flyer

The online application is available at https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/flta/.

The online application submission deadline is **Sunday, May 24, 2015.** All documents must be submitted online, and hard copy submissions will not be accepted.

The following supporting documents will be required for the online application:

1. Three letters of reference;
2. Attested copies of academic transcripts for Bachelor's and/or Master's degrees;
3. Attested copies of Bachelor's and/or Master's certificates;
4. A TOEFL or IELTS score, if applicable (please see below).

Strong English skills are a program requirement, and short-listed candidates will be required to sit for the TOEFL or IELTS exam. If an applicant has a valid score at the time of application, it should be submitted with the application materials—however, if a candidate does not have this score at the time of application, the American Center will arrange testing for selected candidates only. A minimum score of 80 on the internet-based TOEFL exam or a minimum score of 7.0 on the IELTS exam is generally required for selection.

Selected applicants will be called for a spoken and written test in Bangla. After this, short-listed candidates will be interviewed, and candidates will be notified regarding final selections in or around March of 2016. The FLTA program will begin in August of 2016, and Fellows will be required to attend an orientation during the summer before arriving at their host institution.

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